

**HANFORD JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEE
Meeting of July 28, 2026
Hanford Joint Union High School District Office
300 W. 6th St., Hanford, California
5:30PM Closed Session • 6:00PM Open Session**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Martella opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees present: Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, and Robinson.

A. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No comments from the public.

II. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:30PM by President Martella Trustees present: Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella and Robinson.

Discussion took place regarding:

- ≈ Public Employee Appointment (Certificated) (GC 54957)
- ≈ Public Employee Appointment (Classified) (GC 54957)
- ≈ Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Certificated) (GC 54947)

III. RECONVENE TO OPEN MEETING, FLAG SALUTE AND WELCOME – 6:00PM

President Martella reconvened the open meeting at 6:19 PM. Trustees present: Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson.

Administrators/staff present: Rosa, Creech, Peters, Whaley, Dowd, Ede, Fagundes, Culver, Parson, Rogers, Bell, Keran, Stidman, and Salazar.

President Martella led the flag salute.

IV. REPORTS / BUSINESS

A. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

President Martella reported that no action was taken during closed session.

B. COMMENTS FROM THE STAFF

No comments from the staff.

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Paul DeLaTorre, a Sierra Pacific High School parent, urged the Board to reconsider closing district pools during the summer dead period. While acknowledging the

district's reasons for the closures—including staffing needs, employee vacations, and maintaining consistency across athletic facilities—he argued that swimming pools are fundamentally different from gyms and fields because there are no comparable alternative facilities available for swimmers and water polo athletes.

DeLaTorre explained that Hanford's three high school pools serve as the community's primary competitive aquatic facilities, while the few other available pools, such as the YMCA and Hanford Plunge, are not adequate for competitive training. He emphasized that the district's aquatic programs have a strong tradition of success and that community organizations such as the Hanford Piranhas, TNT, and Kings Water Polo rely on district pools to develop young athletes who eventually feed into the high school programs.

He stated that summer is the busiest season for swimming and water polo, with club teams preparing for championship meets and Junior Olympics. He cited the Hanford Piranhas' cancellation of a week of practices and relocation to the YMCA as an example of the disruption caused by the pool closures. He also praised Sierra Pacific's pool as one of the finest high school aquatic facilities in the region and said it should be utilized during the peak season rather than left unused.

DeLaTorre further argued that pools require ongoing maintenance whether they are open or closed, reducing the operational benefit of summer closures. He suggested that a closure during the winter, when demand is lower and pools are typically covered, would be more appropriate.

In closing, DeLaTorre emphasized that he supports the concept of a dead period and understands the need to provide staff with time off and maintain fairness across athletic programs. However, he urged the Board to recognize the unique nature of aquatic facilities and consider scheduling pool closures at a different time of year to minimize the impact on student-athletes, community swim organizations, and the district's successful aquatics programs.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Warrants – Payment of Warrant Requests: 06/26/2026; 06/30/2026; 07/06/2026; 07/10/2026; 07/17/2026; 07/24/2026
2. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting: 06/23/2026

Motion was made by Trustee Barbeiro seconded by Trustee Chavarin to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

F. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Focus Area Metrics End of the Year Data Report

Dr. Rosa presented the Focus Areas Metrics End of the Year Report for 2025/2026. Each principal presented the data for their sites.

This item was presented for information only.

2. Student Field Trips

Superintendent Rosa presented the following student field trips, description and fiscal impact as approved by the Superintendent.

1. HHS Cheer – Moraga, CA
2. SPHS Girls Basketball – Wesley Chapel, FL

This item was presented for information only.

3. Board Calendar 2027/2028

Dr. Rosa presented the HJUHS Board of Trustees calendar of regular meetings for the 2027/2028 school year. Dr. Rosa noted that there will be only one meeting in April due to Spring Break.

This item will be brought back at the next regularly scheduled meeting for Board consideration.

4. 2026/2027 Student/Parent Handbook

Dr. Rosa presented the 2025/2026 Student/Parent Handbook for information and action.

Motion was made by Trustee Gillum seconded by Trustee Chavarin to approve the 2026/2027 Student/Parent Handbook as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

5. Agreements Signed by Superintendent

➤ KCOE – Agriculture Pathway MOU

Motion was made by Trustee Barbeiro seconded by Trustee Chavarin to approve the Agreements Signed by Superintendent as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None

Abstain: None
Absent: None

G. FINANCIAL REPORT

1. Financial Report

Director Fagundes presented the financial report for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This report contains all funds of the district and shows the budget as well as the actuals for the year.

FISCAL IMPACT: The budgeted estimated ending balance for the General Fund is \$18,989,002.55.

This item was presented for information only.

2. 2026/2027 Salary Schedules

Assistant Superintendent Creech presented the 2026/2027 Salary Schedules for information and action.

The 2026/2027 salary schedules have no changes monetarily from the previously approved 2025/2026 salary schedules. This item includes all salary schedules for Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Management, Certificated, Classified, Confidential, Classified Non-Represented, Non-Contract Hourly Certificated and Classified, Classified Coaches Stipends, and Substitute Teacher Pay.

Motion was made by Trustee Chavarin seconded by Trustee Robinson to approve the 2026/2027 Salary Schedules as presented.

Ayes: Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Architectural Services - Sierra Pacific High School Cafeteria Building New Operable Wall

Assistant Superintendent Creech presented Architectural Services - Sierra Pacific High School Cafeteria Building New Operable Wall for information and action.

Nutrition Services is growing the meal program greatly and needs a more efficient serving area at Sierra Pacific High School. This project would add large mechanical operable doors between the serving area and main hall to provide more efficient ingress/egress for the meal program.

FISCAL IMPACT: Compensation for services will be a fixed fee of \$38,200 instead of the traditional sliding schedule because this is a small project. This

project will be funded with Child Nutrition funds as part of their State approved spending plan.

Motion was made by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Barbeiro to approve the Architectural Services - Sierra Pacific High School Cafeteria Building New Operable Wall agreement as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

4. SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #10

Assistant Superintendent Creech presented SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #10 for information and action.

Change Order #10 is for two Construction Change Directives (CCD) approved in the field and three credit CCDs. The net cost for Change Order #10 is \$8,832.85 with no additional days.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$8,832.85 to be paid from School Facilities Program funding.

Motion was made by Trustee Gillum seconded by Trustee Robinson to SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #10 as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

5. SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #11

Assistant Superintendent Creech presented SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #11 for information and action.

Change Order #11 is for additional concrete required at the walkway because of the relocation of the fire hydrant and post indicator valve. There had to be moved because of unforeseen existing underground utilities that were encountered in the field and conflicted with the original installation location. The cost for this work as presented as Change Order #11 is \$22,517.57 with no additional days.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$22,517.57 to be paid from School Facilities Program funding.

Motion was made by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Gillum to approve SPHS Buildings J3 & M1 Project – Change Order #11 as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None

Absent: None

H. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES/SPECIAL PROGRAMS

1. New Textbook Adoption

The following new textbooks returned for approval as submitted

- The Agathas
- Torch
- Shut Up, This is Serious

Motion was made by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Chavarin to the listed new textbooks as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

2. 2025/2026 Consolidated Application – Spring Release

Assistant Superintendent Peters presented the 2025/2026 Consolidated Application – Spring Release for information and action.

Annually, the District applies for and receives funds from the following categorical aid programs through the Consolidated Applications.

- Title I, Part A - Basic Grant (preliminary estimation: \$1,309,819)
- Title II, Part A - Supportive Effective Instruction (preliminary estimation: \$169,168)
- Title III - English Learner (preliminary estimation: \$57,920)
- Title IV, Part A - Student and School Support (preliminary estimation: \$109,829)

FISCAL IMPACT: These funds are expended to address targeted site needs that are aligned with the program requirements and District goals.

Motion was made by Trustee Gillum seconded by Trustee Chavarin to approve 2025/2026 Consolidated Application – Spring Release as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

3. Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant Program (AIG) 2026/2027 Application

Assistant Superintendent Peters presented the Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant Program (AIG) 2026/2027 Application for

information and action.

The District annually applies for and receives Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant Funds. These funds are used to enhance the Agricultural Vocational Education Programs within the District. In order to receive these funds the District must submit the application as included in the Board packet.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$64,140

Motion was made by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Chavarin to Agricultural Vocational Education Incentive Grant Program (AIG) 2026/2027 Application as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

4. Williams Act 2025/2026 4th Quarter Report

Assistant Superintendent Whaley presented the Williams Act 2025/2026 4th Quarter Report.

This item is for the Valenzuela/CAHSEE Lawsuit Settlement - Williams Uniform Complaint. The District is required to submit a quarterly report to the County Superintendent and the Governing Board on the nature and resolution of complaints related to insufficient textbooks and instructional materials, teacher vacancies and CAHSEE Intensive Instruction and Services quarterly.

The district is compliant in all areas.

This item was presented for information only.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES / HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Personnel Assignments

Assistant Superintendent Whaley presented the following Personnel Assignments for information and action:

Certificated Employment:

Leslie Alston, 2026/2027 NJROTC Instructor, HWHS

Classified Resignation:

Natasha Souza, Bus Driver/Utility Person, MOT, effective 07/11/2026

Classified Employment:

Magaly Mendoza, Instructional Aide - Bilingual, HHS, effective 08/12/2026

Mayra Reyes, Instructional Aide - Bilingual, SPHS, effective 08/12/2026

Michael Saylor, Campus Safety I, EFJ, effective 08/13/2026

Gabriela Samperio, Support Technician I, IT, effective 08/01/2026

Classified Short-Term/Temporary Resignation:

Bre Abell, Varsity Head Girls Water Polo Coach, SPHS

Classified Short-Term/Temporary Employment:

JuliAnna Adams, 2026/2027 Band Assistant Color Guard Instructor, HWHS

Austin Lyles, 2026 Summer Swim, DO

Angel Mendoza, 2026/2027 Tutor, HWHS

Dustin Rocha, 2026/2207 Head Wrestling Coach, SPHS

Asia Sivongxay, 2026/2027 Tutor, HWHS

Adaly Uribe, 2026/2028 Band Assistant Front Ensemble Instructor, HWHS

Motion was made by Trustee Chavarin seconded by Trustee Barbeiro to approve the Personnel Assignments as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella, Robinson
No:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

2. Fall Coaching Assignment- for 2026-27 [Sierra Pacific Girls Water Polo Head Coach]

Assistant Superintendent Whaley presented the Fall Coaching Assignment for 2026/2027 for the Sierra Pacific Girls Head Water Polo Coach for information and aciton.

Motion was made by Trustee Chavarin seconded by Trustee Gillum to approve the Fall Coaching Assignment- for 2026-27 [Sierra Pacific Girls Water Polo Head Coach] as presented.

Ayes:	Barbeiro, Chavarin, Gillum, Martella,
No:	Robinson
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

J. MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Director of MOT Stidman gave the MOT report:

Mr. Stidman reported that painting projects, portable classroom work at Hanford High School, and kitchen upgrades across the district are progressing as planned for the start of the school year. He explained that issues with the Hanford High School portables were traced to gophers burrowing beneath the buildings. Concrete is being installed under the structures to prevent future problems. He also highlighted kitchen improvements, noting that adding new serving line equipment required extensive electrical, plumbing, and space modifications, particularly at Sierra Pacific High School. Mr. Stidman concluded by saying the district remains on schedule to have all facilities ready for the first day of school. He thanked the maintenance staff for

working additional Saturdays to complete the remaining projects

Dr. Rosa noted that anyone who has recently driven by Hanford West High School or Hanford High School has likely noticed the campuses' fresh new look. He complimented the painting work and expressed his appreciation for the excellent job everyone has done.

V. BOARD CALENDAR

Superintendent rosa presented the Board calendar noting the regular meeting dates and start of school information through September 2, 2026.

VI. BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSIONS

A. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

Trustee Chavarin asked about the annual mandatory trainings and whether Board members had received the notification email, noting that she had not seen one. Assistant Superintendent Whaley stated that he would follow up and ensure the emails had been sent.

Trustee Chavarin thanked Dr. Rosa, Mr. Peters, and the site principals for their excellent work on the Focus Areas data metrics reports.

Trustee Robinson shared that her Hanford West student was very interested in the Focus Areas data metrics presentation and wanted to understand what the information meant. She noted that she spent time explaining the data to him, which demonstrated that the reports were engaging not only for Board members but also for students. She thanked staff for producing a presentation that captured student interest.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

President Martella adjourned the meeting at 7:21PM.

As presented by:



Dr. Victor Rosa, Superintendent
Secretary of the Board



Alicia, Martella, President of the Board



Janet Barbeiro, Clerk of the Board